



**MIDAS # 3410
WARDS POND**

LIMINGTON TWP, YORK CO., MAINE

AREA 44 ACRES



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U.S.G.S. Limington and Steep Falls, Me. (7.5')

Fishes

Smallmouth bass	White sucker
Largemouth bass	Creek chubsucker
White perch	Hornpout (bullhead)
Yellow perch	Banded killifish
Chain pickerel	Pumpkinseed sunfish
Minnnows	Black crappie
Golden shiner	American eel
Fallfish (chub)	

Physical Characteristics

Area - 44 acres

Maximum depth - 31 feet

Temperatures:

Surface - 78°F

20 feet - 47°F

Principal fisheries: Smallmouth bass, largemouth bass, and black crappie

The MDIFW stocked largemouth bass into Wards Pond in 1961. This introduction was successful in establishing a good bass fishery. Smallmouth bass and black crappie have subsequently established from unknown origin.

Late summer water quality is fair for resident warmwater fish. The pond thermally stratifies during the summer, but it develops a severe oxygen deficiency, which seasonally limits habitat for resident fish and severely limits opportunities to manage for coldwater fish. Competition and predation from existing populations of warmwater fish further diminish the opportunity to manage for coldwater fish.

Traditional access occurs over privately owned property, which could be terminated in the future. There is a need to develop public boat access.

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